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In re application of:

**Paul Anthony HALSTEAD**Application No. *To be assigned*Filed: *Herewith*For: **A CLIP**Art Unit: *To be assigned*Examiner: *To be assigned*Docket No.: **33528/US/RBC/VEJ***"Express mail" mailing label*Number: *EV 298965740 US*Date of deposit: *September 4, 2003**I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office To Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.*Typed name: *Victor E. Johnson*Signed: Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450***PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT***

Sir:

Prior to the first Office Action in the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

***AMENDMENTS***

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks, including arguments, begin on page 6 of this paper.